

Retarded kernels for longitudinal survival analysis and dynamic prediction

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— Model B: Code Details —

1. Model B

In the Supplementary Material for ‘Retarded kernels for longitudinal survival analysis’ Davies, Coolen and Galla (2021) we define the following integral

$$\mathcal{I}_{ij}[\{a_\mu, \tau_\mu\}] = \int_0^{\min(s_j, T_i)} \sum_{\mu=1}^p \beta_\mu(T_i, t', s_j) z_\mu^j(t') dt', \quad (\text{S1})$$

that appears in the negative log likelihood equation and the survival probability equation for retarded kernel models. We then derive, for Model B with nearest neighbour step function interpolation,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{I}_{ij}^{(\text{B})}[\{a_\mu, \tau_\mu\}] = & \sum_{\mu=1}^p \sum_{\ell=1}^{n_j} a_\mu z_\mu^j(t_{j\ell}) \theta(T_i - U_{j\ell}) \left\{ e^{-T_i/\tau_\mu} \left(e^{\min(T_i, U_{j\ell+1})/\tau_\mu} - e^{U_{j\ell}/\tau_\mu} \right) \right. \\ & \left. + \left(\min(T_i, U_{j\ell+1}) - U_{j\ell} \right) \left(\frac{e^{-T_i/\tau_\mu}}{\min(s_j, T_i)} + \theta(T_i - s_j) \frac{1 - e^{(s_j - T_i)/\tau_\mu}}{s_j} \right) \right\}. \quad (\text{S2}) \end{aligned}$$

This equation is used to write the Model B C++ codes provided in the GitHub repository https://github.com/AnnieDavies/Supplement_Davies_Coolen_Galla_2021. In particular this equation is used in the functions `mu_sum1`, `mu_sum2` and `EXP_B`. For the interested reader who may wish to follow the source codes in detail, the form of Eq (S2) used to write the codes is as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{I}_{ij}^{(\text{B})}[\{a_\mu, \tau_\mu\}] = & \sum_{\mu=1}^p \sum_{\ell=1}^{n_j} a_\mu z_\mu^j(t_{j\ell}) \theta(T_i - U_{j\ell}) \left[\frac{(\min(U_{j\ell+1}, T_i) - U_{j\ell})}{\min(s_j, T_i)} + \left(e^{-(T_i - \min(U_{j\ell+1}, T_i))/\tau_\mu} - e^{-(T_i - U_{j\ell})/\tau_\mu} \right) \right. \\ & \left. - \frac{1}{\min(s_j, T_i)} \left(e^{-(T_i - \min(s_j, T_i))/\tau_\mu} - e^{-T_i/\tau_\mu} \right) \left(\min(U_{j\ell+1}, T_i) - U_{j\ell} \right) \right] \quad (\text{S3}) \end{aligned}$$

Below we show that Eqs (S3) and (S2) are equivalent. First we rearrange Eq (S3) to obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{I}_{ij}^{(\text{B})}[\{a_\mu, \tau_\mu\}] = & \sum_{\mu=1}^p \sum_{\ell=1}^{n_j} a_\mu z_\mu^j(t_{j\ell}) \theta(T_i - U_{j\ell}) \left[e^{-T_i/\tau_\mu} \left(e^{\min(U_{j\ell+1}, T_i)/\tau_\mu} - e^{U_{j\ell}/\tau_\mu} \right) \right. \\ & \left. + \left(\min(U_{j\ell+1}, T_i) - U_{j\ell} \right) \left(\frac{1}{\min(s_j, T_i)} - \frac{1}{\min(s_j, T_i)} \left(e^{(\min(s_j, T_i) - T_i)/\tau_\mu} - e^{-T_i/\tau_\mu} \right) \right) \right]. \quad (\text{S4}) \end{aligned}$$

Now if $T_i > s_j$ such that $\min(s_j, T_i) = s_j$, Eq (S4) becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{I}_{ij}^{(\text{B})}[\{a_\mu, \tau_\mu\}] = & \sum_{\mu=1}^p \sum_{\ell=1}^{n_j} a_\mu z_\mu^j(t_{j\ell}) \theta(T_i - U_{j\ell}) \left[e^{-T_i/\tau_\mu} \left(e^{\min(U_{j\ell+1}, T_i)/\tau_\mu} - e^{U_{j\ell}/\tau_\mu} \right) \right. \\ & \left. + \left(\min(U_{j\ell+1}, T_i) - U_{j\ell} \right) \left(\frac{e^{-T_i/\tau_\mu}}{s_j} + \frac{1 - e^{(s_j - T_i)/\tau_\mu}}{s_j} \right) \right]. \quad (\text{S5}) \end{aligned}$$

Otherwise ($T_i \leq s_j$ such that $\min(s_j, T_i) = T_i$) we find

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{I}_{ij}^{(\text{B})}[\{a_\mu, \tau_\mu\}] = & \sum_{\mu=1}^p \sum_{\ell=1}^{n_j} a_\mu z_\mu^j(t_{j\ell}) \theta(T_i - U_{j\ell}) \left[e^{-T_i/\tau_\mu} \left(e^{\min(U_{j\ell+1}, T_i)/\tau_\mu} - e^{U_{j\ell}/\tau_\mu} \right) \right. \\ & \left. + \left(\min(U_{j\ell+1}, T_i) - U_{j\ell} \right) \left(\frac{e^{-T_i/\tau_\mu}}{T_i} \right) \right]. \quad (\text{S6}) \end{aligned}$$

Since $s_j = \min(s_j, T_i)$ in Eq (S5) and $T_i = \min(s_j, T_i)$ in Eq (S6), the only difference between these two equations is the term the extra term $\frac{1 - e^{(s_j - T_i)/\tau_\mu}}{s_j}$ in Eq (S5) when $T_i > s_j$. Therefore, using the step function $\theta(T_i - s_j)$ we can combine Eqs (S5) and (S6) to obtain Eq (S2):

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{I}_{ij}^{(B)}[\{a_\mu, \tau_\mu\}] = & \sum_{\mu=1}^p \sum_{\ell=1}^{n_j} a_\mu z_\mu^j(t_{j\ell}) \theta(T_i - U_{j\ell}) \left[e^{-T_i/\tau_\mu} \left(e^{\min(U_{j\ell+1}, T_i)/\tau_\mu} - e^{U_{j\ell}/\tau_\mu} \right) \right. \\ & \left. + \left(\min(U_{j\ell+1}, T_i) - U_{j\ell} \right) \left(\frac{e^{-T_i/\tau_\mu}}{\min(s_j, T_i)} + \theta(T_i - s_j) \frac{1 - e^{(s_j - T_i)/\tau_\mu}}{s_j} \right) \right]. \quad (\text{S7}) \end{aligned}$$